

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department – Allegations of irregularities in execution of road work “Varni Crossing to Kotagiri via Tegelpalli” taken up with the assistance of NABARD under RIDF-II, in Nizamabad District. – Disciplinary action initiated against S/Sri M. Raghu, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banswada presently working as Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Gadwal, P. Venugopal Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, and K. Rajaiah, Assistant Engineer, Panchayat Raj – Written statements of defences received - Show Cause Notice issued – Explanations submitted – Further action dropped with a ‘warning’ to be careful in future – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1505

Dated:23.09.2011.

Read the following:-

1. From the ENC, P.R., Hyd., Lr.No.Vig.II(5)/14906/99, dt:15.2.2006.
2. Govt. Memo No.2969/Vig.I/2006-6, PR & RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.18.09.2008.
3. Govt. Memo No. 2969/Vig.I/2007-7, PR & RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.18.09.2008.
4. Govt. Memo No. 2969/Vig.I/2007-8, PR & RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.18.09.2008.
5. Written Statement of Defense of Sri M. Raghu, formerly Dy.E.E., PR, Banswada presently working as EE, PR, Gadwal, dt:31.12.2008.
6. Written Statement of Defense of Sri P. Venugopal Rao, Dy.E.E., PR, dt:29.12.2008.
7. Written Statement of Defense of Sri K. Rajaiah, AE, PR, dt:29.12.2008.
8. From the ENC, P.R., Hyd., Lr.No.Vig.6/14906/99, dt:25.09.2009.
9. Govt. Memo No.2969/Vig.I/2006-11, PR & RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.18.11.2009.
10. Govt. Memo No.2969/Vig.I/2006-12, PR & RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.18.11.2009.
11. Govt. Memo No.2969/Vig.I/2006-13, PR & RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.18.11.2009.
12. Explanation of Sri M. Raghu, formerly Dy. EE, PR, Banswada, presently working EE, PR, Gadwal, dt:2.9.2010.
13. Explanation of Sri P. Venugopal Rao, Dy. EE, PR., dt:21.4.2011.
14. Explanation of Sri K. Rajaiah, Asst. Engineer, PR, dt:nil.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad has informed that, certain irregularities were noticed in the execution and formation of road work "BT to road Varni crossing to Kotagiri via Tegelpelli with an estimated cost of Rs.40.00 lakhs taken up with assistance of NABARD under RIDF-II in Nizamabad district and requested to initiate disciplinary action against Engineering Officials.

2. In the references 2nd, 3rd and 4th read above, disciplinary action has been initiated by framing Articles of Charges and calling their Written Statement of Defences, under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, against S/Sri M. Raghu, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banswada presently working as Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Gadwal, P. Venugopal Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, and K. Rajaiah, Assistant Engineer, Panchayat Raj, respectively.

3. In the references 5th, 6th and 7th read above the Charged Officers i.e., S/Sri M. Raghu, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banswada presently working as Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Gadwal, P. Venugopal Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, and K. Rajaiah, Assistant Engineer, Panchayat Raj have submitted their written statements of defenses and requested to drop further action in the matter.

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4. In the reference 8th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad, has informed that the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Medak has been requested to furnish the present condition of the above road and the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Medak in Lr. No.A2/800/08, dt:10.08.2008 has informed that, the road work from Varni crossing to Kotagiri via Taglepalli in Nizamabad district was handed over to R&B Department in the year 2007-08 and the same was complied with BT renewal coat over the road and the surface is in good condition and requested to consider the report and requested to drop further action.

5. Government, after examining the matter, have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of one increment without cumulative effect on the Charged Officers, and Show Cause Notices were issued vide references 9th, 10th and 11th read above. Charged Officers have submitted their explanations vide references 12th, 13th and 14th read above and, submitted that on the instructions of Chief Engineer, NABARD, the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Medak has personally inspected the work and submitted that, the road is in good condition and that the BT surface is not pulled of. The Superintending Engineer further reported that the surface on Tank bund portion i.e., 3.20 to 3.60 is in Good condition and traffic worthy and requested to drop further action in the matter.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have observed that, as reported by the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, that the road is in good condition and recovery towards deficiencies in the thickness of WBM & BT content were fully effected and there is no financial loss to the Government. In view of the above, further action against S/Sri M. Raghu, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banswada presently working as Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Gadwal, P. Venugopal Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, and K. Rajaiah, Assistant Engineer, Panchayat Raj, are hereby dropped, with a warning to be more careful, in future, as recommended by the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.

7. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR.RAJIV SHARMA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(PR)

To
The Engineer-in-Chief,
Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.
Individuals *though* Engineer-in-Chief,
Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.

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